

a display for displaying information processed by said computer;

a weapon communicably connected to said computer, and having a trigger for firing said weapon;

said weapon having a grip for handling said weapon, said grip located adjacent said trigger; and said weapon having a barrel including a bore, said bore having an axis extending longitudinally therethrough;

wherein said software interface is controlled by a weapon mounted cursor control device, said weapon cursor control device comprising:

a control mechanism for positioning a cursor, said control mechanism being so located on a rear facing portion of said grip such that both a right and left handed user can access said control mechanism employing a thumb while maintaining contact with said trigger with a finger; and

an actuating mechanism for performing control, selection, and action functions on said software interface.

43 (Amended). A portable, wearable, information apparatus for collecting, coordinating, and communicating information, said system being capable of providing real-time situational awareness in armed conflict conditions, said system comprising:

an input/output device for interfacing said computer with components of said system, said components including:

a display for displaying information processed by said computer;

a voiceless, wireless communication means; and

a user position location device;

a power supply;

a computer for controlling functions of said apparatus and having a software interface for interacting with said computer;

wherein said apparatus further includes a weapon communicably connected to said computer, and having a trigger for firing said weapon,

said weapon having a grip for handling said weapon, said grip located adjacent said trigger; and said weapon having a barrel including a bore, said bore having an axis extending longitudinally therethrough;

wherein said software interface is controlled by a weapon mounted cursor control device, said weapon cursor control device comprising:

a control mechanism for positioning a cursor, said control mechanism being so located on a rear facing portion of said grip such that both a right and left handed user can access said control mechanism employing a thumb while maintaining contact with said trigger with a finger; and

an actuating mechanism for performing control, selection, and action functions on said software interface;

wherein said input/output device comprises:

voltage converters for converting power provided by a power source to voltages compatible with said components of said system, said voltage converters thereafter being capable of transmitting said converted power to said components; and

data relays for routing data between said computer and said components thereby permitting said components and said computer to communicate;

a plurality of universal, plug-in, plug-out connectors for receiving universal connectors of said components, said universal, plug-in, plug-out connectors further providing